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PRESS RELEASE - MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH

On 08-19-15 at 2:13am, the Dodge County Sheriff's Office responded to a motor vehicle crash on I-41 north of Sth 49 in the Township of Lomira, Dodge County, Wisconsin.

Preliminary investigation shows that Anthony Cappello (26 years old, from Chicago, IL) was operating a semi with tank trailer (hauling water) traveling north on I-41 and initiated a U-turn through the median to travel south on I-41. Charles Bate (66 years old, from Appleton, WI) was operating a semi with box trailer traveling south on I-41 and struck the tank trailer as it crossed into the southbound traffic lanes. Cappello was uninjured in the crash, but Bate was pronounced dead at the scene by the Dodge County Medical Examiner. There were no passengers in either vehicle.

I-41 southbound traffic was closed for more than 6 hours while the crash was being investigated.

Assisting at the scene was: Fond du lac County Sheriff's Department, Fond du lac Paramedics, Brownsville Fire Department and Dodge County Emergency Response Team.

The crash remains under investigation by the Dodge County Crash Investigation Team.

Additional information can be obtained by contacting Sheriff Dale J Schmidt.